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In re Application of :
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SUPPORT METHOD FOR :
ANALYZER (As Amended) :

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Before examination of the above-identified patent application, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page two (2) of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page six (6) of this paper. Claims 16-36 are pending, with claims 16, 22, 24, 30, 35 and 36 being the only independent claims.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page ten (10) of this paper and include one (1) attached replacement sheet.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page eleven (11) of this paper.